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BATTLEFORD ITEMS.

St. Patrick's day was celebrated here in good style this year. The procession formed in front of the town hall, headed by the Battleford brass band, and led by Mr. Merigold as marshal, marched through the principal streets, with the band playing appropriate pieces of music. After some time, they marched back to the hall, where speeches were made by some of the prominent Irishmen of the town. In the evening a grand dinner was held at the residence of Mr. Merigold. The table was bountifully supplied with all the delicacies of the season. After ample justice had been the good things, the table was cleared and Mr. Merigold chosen as chairman. With toasts, speeches and songs, a very jolly evening was spent.

The town is progressing very rapidly. Over forty houses have been constructed for to go up this summer.

Corp. McNell, Con. Williams and guide and interpreter Macdonald arrived from Fort Pitt on the 12th March with an Indian prisoner, charged before Judge Rolan with assault and battery on the person of Indian Inspector de Launay, with intent to kill, for which he got two months on the wood pile.

Corp. Ma donald left for Fort Pitt to take the place of Corp. McNell, who has been stationed there for the last six months.

Chief Found Maker called all his young braves together and made a long speech to them in which he told young men he was, before the braves are ripe, blood will flow. Some of his band are leaving for the south they say horse stealing is more profitable than farming.

Battleford is shortly to be entertained by a marriage in high life. In my next notes I expect to be able to give a full account of the festivities.

The firm of Oliver & Colridge expect to have their saw-mill in full running order by the 15th April.

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CHIT-CHAT LOCALS.

Gathered by our Reporters.

MESSRS. T. Swanson, G. Mills and Platt will leave on Saturday for a month's shooting.

Walters & Baker have just received a few choice hats of all sizes which will be sold cheap for cash. A call is solicited.

The C. M. Church Concert, which takes place April 17th, promises to be the entertainment of the season. We have been shown a copy of the programme and judging from the selections and the names of those who are to take part, we have no hesitation in advising the public not to miss it.

H. Walters, of Walters & Baker, has gone east to buy goods for the coming season.

We notice in an eastern exchange that a circus team from Prince Albert will visit some of the towns east during the coming season. We hope this is true, and that our young men will enter into the movement with spirit. We are satisfied that in the event of their doing so, they will give a good account of themselves. A meeting will be held at this office next Wednesday evening for the purpose of organizing a club, and is to be hoped that all our young men will turn out and do their utmost for the national game.

A collection has been taken up and money subscribed for the purpose of cutting a road from Kistina to Humboldt. This will shorten the distance between these two points some 55 miles. Mr. Ruttle, who is building a small grange mill here, has taken the contract for the work. It is the opinion of old settlers that this would make a much better route for the Prince Albert mail service to travel, having the advantage of high land, and settling homes all along the route. A ferry is proposed at the H. B. Co's. post, where the banks are especially suitable for that purpose.

It was only last week that we published a synopsis of the funeral sermon of the wife of Rev. Mr. Pritchard of the South Branch. We regret to have at so short an interval to chronicle the death of her father, the Rev. David Stanger, ordained two years ago for Indian missions work by the Bishop here. Our readers will not be the coincidence of father and daughter being carried off within the space of a few weeks by the same disease. The simplicity of character and genuine unaffected piety of the departed will make his death a great loss to the mission work, and cause of sincere regret to his many friends.

THERE appears to be a regularly organized system of burglary going on at the West End. It is not very long ago since the branch store of J. O. Davis & Co., then in charge of Mr. Ranney, was broken into and plundered of a lot of fish and flour. Mr. A. McNeill's store house, a few yards distant, was also visited and robbed. Some others are said to have suffered, and on Monday night three bags of flour were carried off from the store house of the College. The fate of the prisoner committed by Mr. J. J. Campbell and sentenced by the Stipendiary, has not proved the warning to blackguards that might have been expected. It is to be hoped some of them may be caught, and an example made of them "pour encourager les autres."

At a meeting held about three weeks ago, an Agricultural Society was formed for the District of Lorne. This is a move in the right direction, and one which we have advocated several times. A number of questions of importance in connection with the society were fully discussed, and a board of officers appointed. The Hon. L. Clarke, who was unanimously chosen Patron of the Society, with his accustomed generosity, subscribed \$100 towards its funds. Angus Cameron, President; Mr. Gleister, Vice Pres.; C. Adams, Sec. Treas. Directors—Messrs. Inkster, Peterson, W. Miller, Mr. Scott, E. Adams, Pecha, D. Miller, Lytle, Hattrick and Spencer. Parties wishing to become members of the Society will correspond with the Secretary. Any locality will be admitted, with the privilege of one or two of their members being added to the directorate.

THE GALLOWES.

Jesse Williams, who slew Adams, pass the Extreme Penalty.

CALGARY, N. W. T., March 29.—The first execution in the annals of this part of the Territories took place this morning, the criminal being Jesse Williams, a negro, aged 42 years. The crime for which he was condemned to death was the butchery of a carpenter named J. H. Adams, on the night of February 8th last, the particulars of which are still fresh in the minds of the public, as well as the circumstances connected with capture, his desperate attempt to escape from the police barracks, his trial, conviction and sentence. During his incarceration the condemned received religious instruction from Rev. Father Claude, made full confession of his crime and was apparently resigned to his fate. This morning he arose early and partook of a hearty breakfast. He then bade farewell to his fellow prisoners, and thanked the guards for the many kindnesses they had shown him.

ON THE SCAFFOLD,

to which he was escorted a few minutes before eight, he appeared calm and resolute and underwent the ordeal of pinning without a tremor. The executioner, who was disguised, asked Williams if he had anything to say, to which he replied that he had. He said that this was the third time he had faced death. He had been a soldier, but never feared death, nor did he now. He acknowledged the justness of the sentence passed upon him, and said that whiskey was the cause of the crime. He said that he had made his peace with God, and expressed his heartfelt thanks to the officers and police for their treatment, and also to his lawyer, the citizens and Father Claude. He expressed the hope to meet them all in heaven, and then bid his father confessor an affectionate good bye.

THE EXEC.

The executioner carefully adjusted the rope, and drew the black cap over the condemned man's face. It was a moment of intense excitement for the few spectators that had been permitted to witness the hanging. At exactly one minute past 9 o'clock the hangman cut the rope which held the trap, and the drop fell a distance of seven feet six inches. It was evident a moment later that the neck of the unfortunate man had not been broken. At two minutes past 8 o'clock great twitching of the muscles was to be noticed. There was a trembling in the right leg, and Williams seemed to be

—STRANGLING TO DEATH.

A minute later the body was almost motionless, but a few minutes past eight the muscles of the arms and legs worked rapidly, showing how intensely the murderer was suffering. At five minutes past eight he breathed less laboriously, and in seven minutes and thirty seconds life was extinct. The body was not cut down, however, until twenty minutes past eight o'clock, when the doctors who had been summoned for the purpose pronounced him dead. The body was then cut down, and a coroner's inquest was held, and the usual verdict rendered.

The execution was private, only a few outside of the sheriff, his deputy, and the priest being present.

CAMPBELL'S BLO K.

ITEMS OF INTEREST. THE VERY LATEST NEWS.

CANADIAN.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, March 30.—Mather & Atkinson, publishers of the *Journal*, dissolved partnership yesterday. Mr. Atkinson will continue the business.

At an enthusiastic meeting of both political parties on Saturday night, arrangements were made to banquet Mr. Watson, M. P., on his return from the capital. Invitations will be sent to all the leading men of the province.

The Marquette License Commissioners met last night. They granted six hotel and three shop licenses. No saloons were licensed, much to the satisfaction of the temperance people.

OTTAWA, March 29.—Mr. Thomas Power, of Medicine Hat, N. W. T., had an interview with Hon. Mr. Macpherson, Minister of the Interior, on Saturday regarding a paper's office in that district. The Minister promised to look into the matter at an early date.

MONTREAL, March 29.—The exhibition committee has resolved to invite the Hon. General and Lady Landolme to be present at the opening of the annual exhibition of fine productions on the 20th of August.

A deputation of Roman Catholic school commissioners of this city proceeds to Quebec on Monday to ask the Legislature for an increase of the school tax from one-tenth to three-tenths of a cent here, so that thirty thousand additional revenue can be raised to meet the annual expenditure. The Protestant commissioners will make a similar request.

The St. Lawrence is rising. All the dwellings and warehouses on the river front are flooded.

TORONTO, March 29.—Arrangements for the coming semi-centennial celebration in June are being perfected. Last night a meeting of delegates from the various secret and benevolent societies was held, when it was found that over 100 persons are members of the different bodies would take part in a procession on the day set apart for these societies.

TORONTO, March 30.—Archbishop Lynch was interviewed to-day in reference to a report that all the legacies and donations given to the Propaganda will henceforth be received by foreign branch establishments. He said the report was quite correct. Bureaus will be established in the principal European capitals and New York, San Francisco, Quebec and Toronto. Gifts and legacies will hereafter be received in trust by the chief officer of the church in the district in which they are made. This step is rendered necessary by the proposal of the Italian Government to purchase the property of the Propaganda on the terms that would render the act in reality confiscation. The ecclesiastical authorities at Rome were now forwarding money in foreign stocks, so that it will be safe from the rapacity of the Italian Government.

Archbishop Lynch received a despatch to-day that Dr. Carberry, Bishop-elect of Hamilton, had arrived at New York. His Grace will meet him at St. Stephen's on Tuesday, accompanied by his family, and install him as bishop.

A meeting of Grand Trunk employees this afternoon instructed the secretary to notify Manager Hickson that they cannot afford to accept a reduction of wages. An unfavorable answer will result in a strike.

The warehouse of Wims & Co., wood dealers, was burned this morning. Loss, \$70,000, insured for \$45,000. Adjacent buildings damaged to the extent of \$25,000.

HAMILTON, Ont., March 30.—Two sons of John Leeson, aged twelve and thirteen years, were drowned this afternoon while sliding on a pond in their father's farm. A companion had a narrow escape from sharing their fate.

AMERICAN.

CHICAGO, March 30.—A meeting will be held next Friday by the different representatives of the three interested in preparing a new passenger tariff on business between Canadian points and points in the Northwest. A number of important reductions are to be made in the rates to meet the competition of the Canadian Pacific.

NICHOLAS FALLS, N. Y., March 30.—McLure & Murray's wood pulp factory was burned this morning. Loss \$200,000; fully insured.

PITTSBURGH, Ky., March 30.—A special from Hauldale says: The late Mollie Maguire outrages in Clearfield and Westmoreland counties now appear to have been committed by conspirators from Stumme or Lockswana counties, and it is expected that they will yet be captured.

SAVANNAH, March 30.—Late last night the Mayor of Savannah telegraphed for one thousand rounds of ammunition. It is said that a negro uprising is imminent. A communist emissary had thrown the negroes into great excitement by urging a massacre of whites and confiscation of property. The town is terrorized. A special to the *News* from Savannah at 8 p. m. reports the excitement allayed and the trouble almost surely averted.

GENERAL.

LONDON, March 28.—The Manchester Guardian asserts that negotiations are pending between England and America with the view of adding to the extradition treaty a clause which shall cover authors of dynamite outrages.

The jury today rendered a verdict in favour of Lady Colin Campbell in the suit against her husband for divorce. Her husband is the youngest son of the Duke of Argyll.

The ship owners who have been bitterly opposed to the merchant sailing bill, are moderating their hostility and Mr. Chamberlain offers to concede their demands respecting insurance, sea-worthiness and limited liability.

CONK, March 28.—In the county of Mayo conspiracy case six prisoners were found guilty. Three were sentenced to ten years imprisonment each, and three to five years.

PARIS, March 28.—The French in Tokyo are discussing the occupation of Annam, China.

VIENNA, March 28.—The Arch-Duchess Maria Valeria, daughter of Emperor Francis Joseph, has been affianced to Arch-Duke Francis, eldest son of Arch-Duke Charles Louis, brother of the Emperor. The Arch-Duke inherits an immense fortune from the Duke of Modena.

TERRITORIAL NEWS.

CALGARY.

From the Herald, March 26.
The bands of horses on the Cochrane ranch at the Big Hill are in excellent condition, and have wintered exceedingly well.

Mr. Fitzgerald, of the firm of Longhead & Fitzgerald, has been appointed, by the Administrator, a notary public for the North West Territories.

Rev. Father Leconte, during his visit in the east, is presenting a French colonization scheme for the North West. The settlers are to receive 100 acres each for \$10.

Winnipeg merchants are beginning to recognize the existence of a city called Calgary, their travellers arriving by every train and doing a large amount of business.

BATTLEFORD.

From the Herald, March 22.
Mr. Oliver expects to have lumber and shingles on the market here in the first week in May.

It is proposed to establish a mounted police station at Frog Lake, thirty miles from Pitt, in the spring.

A gang of men will leave in a few days to build the bridges on the river road. Building operations are proceeding lively, work having been again on three weeks the has placed in the ground for others, while quite a number, many of them of good dimensions, will be commenced as soon as timber can be procured.

EDMONTON.

From the Bulletin, March 15.
Oats are changing prices at \$1 a bushel.

Rev. J. A. McLaughlin and wife arrived from Victoria on Wednesday evening last.

Police have been sent from Ft. Saskatchewan to Lockhart to arrest George Beaudry for wife desertion.

The Winnipeg & North-West petroleum company are advertising for tenders for the boring wells upon their oil locations at Little Smoky, Alberta.

Joe Farrel, who has been steamboat pilot on the Saskatchewan ever since the first steamboat ran on the river, has accepted the position of pilot on the H. C. Co. of Atlantic steamer, and will leave on his resignation at Edmonton.

FORT McLEOD.

From the Gazette, March 22.
The ice in this river and the others in the country is very rotten, and will not hold up a team. We may look for it to go at any moment. Water began running in the slough on Thursday afternoon and is now quite deep.

Everything is in ship-shape order to begin spring work on the Peigan Reserve. An Indian who was conversing with Mr. Bege left the house, but only walked a few steps before he dropped dead. The Indians think it had medicine.

There are a great many Old Fellows in this vicinity, and they have been talking of forming a lodge and putting up a good building.

On Monday morning Mr. A. McGowan was married to Miss Lelia Broutelle, by Rev. S. Trivett, at the Blood Reserve. There was some objection to the match on the bride's relatives. Last Sunday the bride came to Macleod to witness the dramatic entertainment. The groom carried her off on Sunday in true, old-fashioned style.

Three months ago four Blood Indians sallied forth to visit their red brethren, the Gros Ventres. While on the road they thrusted for glory, war and gore, and changing their route paid the Crows a visit. When they left that company they had a band of horses and four white heads, but when they walked into their reservation one Indian had been put on the coup list of some Gros Ventre, and they had no horses, not even their own.

MANITOBA.

NELSON.

From the "Advertiser," March 22.
The Rock Lake Herald has succumbed to the hard times.

Williams, the Meinette "terror" has been extradited, and will be tried at the present Winnipeg Assizes.

The "Appreciation Society" of Pilot Mound district have passed a resolution on Mr. T. White, M. P., celebrated upon feeding speech, as follows:— "That the Treasurer was authorized to purchase and send to Mr. White a suitable tin spoon with a suitable letter accompanying the gift."

RAT PORTAGE.

From the Progress, March 22.
A daily train service will shortly be established between Port Arthur and Winnipeg.

The C. P. R. ice house has received its instalment of ice.

A coach-house will be built by the C. P. R., for the purpose of stabling the coaches.

The pay car came in last Thursday evening.

An enormous quantity of freight is stored at Collingwood and Sarnia, ready for shipment to the N. W.

STONEWALL.

From the News, March 26.
The Dominion House is expected to prorogue on Tuesday week.

Mr. W. Palford has been admitted to membership of the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association.

Mr. S. McIntyre, of Starbuck Station, in the South-western, is here to purchase sheep for his large stock farm.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

From the Review, March 22.
The snow is rapidly disappearing.

The rank and file of the Blue Ribbon Army, here, now number 225 souls.

Grain buyers are paying 85 to 90 cents per bushel for No. 1 hard wheat. Very little is coming in.

March, Irvin, and Norman Snider, left with survey parties this week for the Rockies. They will be absent all summer.

Men are busily engaged extending the sidewalk on Main Street, north, to the St. N. W. Ry.

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PROPRIETOR

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COMMUNICATIONS. PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRESS.

To the Editor of the Times.

SIR,—I feel it my duty to give you a short account of the parish school in this place. In the first place, through the earnest efforts of Mr. Andrew Spence, the trustees secured the services of Mr. Giroud, a teacher of great experience and success in Ontario and Manitoba, and installed him into his work in a private house some two months ago. The settlers in the parish, too, deserve credit for the manner in which they have seconded the trustees, in hewing and hauling logs to Edwin Sutherland's for the purpose of raising a school-house next Saturday. Mr. Sutherland gives the land for a site.

I wish, however, to report the wonderful progress made by the scholars, which has outdone any thing I have ever seen, and proves that it is much better to pay well for a competent teacher, than give little to a poor one.

I visited the school and examined the children when Mr. Giroud began to teach, about the middle of February, and again to-day, the 7th of April, and the progress has astonished me. I had no idea that so much could be done in so short a time. The progress has not been confined to one direction, but on as many subjects as can necessarily be taught in a school of such standing.

I may say, that never before having a right school in the place, the children were very far back, most of them not able to read words of three letters or write a word on a slate.

To-day, I heard the senior class read in the second book, attend to the punctuation, spell the words, and give the parts of speech through the lesson. They read very well indeed. I also took them in dictation which they did with hardly any errors. In arithmetic, too, the progress was great. When last here, few in the school could write a figure; now they work with ease and rapidity in addition and multiplication, while their answers in mental arithmetic are surprising.

The teacher deserves the highest commendation from the parents and those concerned in the interests of the school, for the satisfactory results of his teaching; and I hope they will give him all encouragement in such a noble work as the training of the young. Thanking you very much for your space.

J. F. PRITCHARD.

South Branch, April 7.

TIMBER DUES.

To the Editor of the Times.

SIR,—I wish through the medium of THE TIMES to say a few words about a matter brought to light in a late issue of your paper, and which has since become a topic of general discussion in the settlement. I refer to statements made by Mr. H. Cameron in his home, and I understand from his letter that the Land Agent here has refused Mr. Cameron an entry for land on which he has been a bona fide resident for a number of years, on the flimsy pretext that the Crown Timber Agent has a claim against him for dues on timber cut seven years ago. I am not aware that the government charged timber dues to settlers in this District that long since, even if they did there was not a resident Timber Agent near that Edmonton, and a person requiring timber could not be expected to go a distance to pay dues, or to get a permit. Again, if Mr. Waggoner has a claim against Cameron for timber dues, the Dominion Land Act clearly defines his duties in such cases, and the steps he should take to recover the same; but the Lands Act does not authorize the Land Agent or any other official to withhold an entry from any man, on any such grounds; and I challenge either the Land Agent or the Crown Timber Agent to show any instructions from the Department to that effect, or to state that the Timber

Agent had any right to go to Mr. Pearce for instructions in the matter. But the Timber Agent accidentally acquired the knowledge that Mr. Cameron had cut certain timber seven years ago on which he had not paid dues, and now because at this late date Mr. Cameron refuses to hand over the sum demanded, he (Waggoner) goes to the Land Agent and Mr. Pearce, and forms collusion with them, in order to coerce Mr. Cameron into paying money which he does not consider he owes the government, on which it would be a gross injustice to make him pay under the circumstances. Some of the government officials here are fast becoming obnoxious to the people, and the wonder is that they have been tolerated so long, and I am glad to learn that their conduct is about being brought to the notice of the government, and surely not before time. An investigation would result in their being recalled, which would be hailed with delight by nine-tenths of the people. I hope that a thorough examination will be made into the facts of Cameron's case by the Department, and that they will establish much needed reforms in the manner of working some of their offices in this place. "Tyranny and injustice" appear to be the motives of some of our officials at present, and unless the government does something towards remedying the evil before long, the people will rise in their might and just indignation, and may administer such a remedy as may not be over pleasant to the offenders.

JUSTICE.

To the Editor of the Times.

SIR,—We were glad to observe that in your last issue but one, when you published Mr. Cameron's letter complaining of the local Timber Agent's outrages conducted towards himself—you pointed out to the particulars of the alleged outrage which the public justly feel entitled to have either contradicted or explained. As we know that that gentleman's attention was directed to the matter, we can only infer that he is either unable to offer any satisfactory explanation, or that he is purposely by his silence treating the public with gross discourtesy. Will you kindly inform us whether Mr. W. has communicated with you on the subject or whether the order to refuse Mr. Cameron's entry of his lands on such a monstrous pretext has been received? This being a matter seriously affecting the rights and liberties of every settler here, it cannot be allowed to drop—so please inform us if you consider the Minister of the Interior the proper person to memorialize on the matter? We suppose Mr. W. will be in a position, should his conduct not lead to his removal from our bitterly sorrowing circle, to supplement the not at all monotonous original recitation upon the dignity of labour, with one upon the not less important Dignity of Justice.

JUSTICE.

[We regret to say that we have not been favoured with the information "Justice" asks for on behalf of the public. We presume the Minister of the Interior would be the proper party to bring the matter before, and we have a better opinion of that gentleman's sense of honesty and justice, than to suppose that he would for a moment support his subordinates in such a course as they appear to have adopted. Ed.]

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